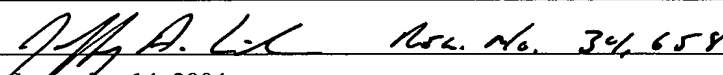
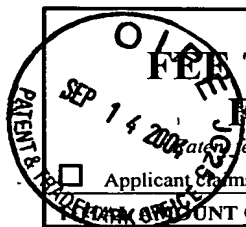


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## FEE CALCULATION

### 1. BASIC FILING FEE

| Large Entity Fee Code | Large Entity Fee (\$) | Small Entity Fee Code | Small Entity Fee (\$) | Fee Description        | Fee Paid |
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| 1001                  | 770                   | 2001                  | 385                   | Utility filing fee     |          |
| 1002                  | 340                   | 2002                  | 170                   | Design filing fee      |          |
| 1003                  | 530                   | 2003                  | 265                   | Plant filing fee       |          |
| 1004                  | 770                   | 2004                  | 385                   | Reissue filing fee     |          |
| 1005                  | 160                   | 2005                  | 80                    | Provisional filing fee |          |

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| Total Claims       | Extra Claims | Fee from below | Fee Paid |
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|                    | -20** =      | X              | =        |
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| 1202                  | 18                    | 2202                  | 9                     | Claims in excess of 20                                     |
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| 1203                  | 290                   | 2203                  | 145                   | Multiple dependent claim, if not paid                      |
| 1204                  | 86                    | 2204                  | 43                    | ** Reissue independent claims over original patent         |
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| 1051                  | 130                   | 2051                  | 65                    | Surcharge - late filing fee or oath  | \$130.00 |
| 1052                  | 50                    | 2052                  | 25                    | Surcharge - late provisional filing fee or cover sheet                     |          |
| 1053                  | 130                   | 1053                  | 130                   | Non-English specification  |          |
| 1812                  | 2,520                 | 1812                  | 2,520                 | For filing a request for <i>ex parte</i> reexamination                     |          |
| 1804                  | 920*                  | 1804                  | 920*                  | Requesting publication of SIR prior to Examiner action                     |          |
| 1805                  | 1,840*                | 1805                  | 1,840*                | Requesting publication of SIR after Examiner action                        |          |
| 1251                  | 110                   | 2251                  | 55                    | Extension for reply within first month                                     | \$110.00 |
| 1252                  | 420                   | 2252                  | 210                   | Extension for reply within second month                                    |          |
| 1253                  | 950                   | 2253                  | 475                   | Extension for reply within third month                                     |          |
| 1254                  | 1,480                 | 2254                  | 740                   | Extension for reply within fourth month                                    |          |
| 1255                  | 2,010                 | 2255                  | 1,005                 | Extension for reply within fifth month                                     |          |
| 1401                  | 330                   | 2401                  | 165                   | Notice of Appeal   |          |
| 1402                  | 330                   | 2402                  | 165                   | Filing a brief in support of an appeal                                     |          |
| 1403                  | 290                   | 2403                  | 145                   | Request for oral hearing   |          |
| 1451                  | 1,510                 | 1451                  | 1,510                 | Petition to institute a public use proceeding                              |          |
| 1452                  | 110                   | 2452                  | 55                    | Petition to revive - unavoidable   |          |
| 1453                  | 1,330                 | 2453                  | 665                   | Petition to revive - unintentional   |          |
| 1501                  | 1,330                 | 2501                  | 665                   | Utility issue fee (or reissue)   |          |
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| 1503                  | 640                   | 2503                  | 320                   | Plant issue fee  |          |
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| 1807                  | 50                    | 1807                  | 50                    | Processing fee under 37 CFR 1.17(q)  |          |
| 1806                  | 180                   | 1806                  | 180                   | Submission of Information Disclosure Stmt                                  |          |
| 8021                  | 40                    | 8021                  | 40                    | Recording each patent assignment per property (times number of properties) |          |
| 1809                  | 770                   | 2809                  | 385                   | Filing a submission after final rejection (37 CFR 1.129(a))                |          |
| 1810                  | 770                   | 2810                  | 385                   | For each additional invention to be examined (37 CFR 1.129(b))             |          |
| 1801                  | 770                   | 2801                  | 385                   | Request for Continued Examination (RCE)                                    |          |
| 1802                  | 900                   | 1802                  | 900                   | Request for expedited examination of a design application                  |          |

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NOTICE TO FILE MISSING PARTS OF NONPROVISIONAL APPLICATION

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**Items Required To Avoid Abandonment:**

An application number and filing date have been accorded to this application. The item(s) indicated below, however, are missing. Applicant is given **TWO MONTHS** from the date of this Notice within which to file all required items and pay any fees required below to avoid abandonment. Extensions of time may be obtained by filing a petition accompanied by the extension fee under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a).

- The oath or declaration is missing.  
*A properly signed oath or declaration in compliance with 37 CFR 1.63, identifying the application by the above Application Number and Filing Date, is required.*
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